which it shall exercise authority. It may change the plans so as to reduce the cost of erecting of any of said buildings and may withhold the construction of any if it shall deem it advisable.

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7.

CHAIR AND GAVEL FOR THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION for the appointment of a joint committee to purchase a chair and gavel for the speaker of the house and the president of the senate.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That a joint committee of three from the house and three from the senate be appointed and hereby authorized and directed to purchase a suitable chair and gavel each for the speaker of the house and the president of the senate.

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9.

ELECTION OF UNITED STATES SENATORS.

JOINT RESOLUTION of the thirty-third general assembly of the state of Iowa, making application to the congress of the United States to call a convention for proposing amendments to the constitution of the United States.

WHEREAS, We believe that senators of the United States should be elected directly by the voters; and

WHEREAS, To authorize such direct election, an amendment to the constitution of the United States is necessary; and

WHEREAS, The failure of congress to submit such amendment to the states has made it clear that the only practicable method of securing submission of such amendment to the states is through a constitutional convention to be called by congress upon the application of the legislatures of two-thirds of all the states; therefore

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. That the legislature of the state of Iowa hereby makes application to the congress of the United States, under article V of the constitution of the United States, to call a constitutional convention for proposing amendments to the constitution of the United States.
- SEC. 2. That this resolution, duly authenticated, shall be delivered forthwith to the president of the senate and speaker of the house of the representatives of the United States, with the request that the same shall be laid before the said senate and house.

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